



The Parishes of St Mary's, Little Crosby and St William of York, Thornton

Sefton Coast South Deanery Deanery Patron: *Blessed Lawrence Johnson*
In a family of parishes with St. Helen's, Crosby and St Joseph's, Blundellsands

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The Week Ahead....

Sun 9th August	Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Holy Mass St. William of York 9.30am- Int: Andrew George Davidson (Andy) RIP. Holy Mass St Mary's 11:15am- Int: The Parish Holy Baptism at St Williams- <i>Bobby Owens</i> Holy Mass St Helens 4pm.
Mon 10th August	Feast of St Lawrence	6pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction followed by <i>Holy Mass at 7pm. St William of York. Int: Thanksgiv- ing for 38yrs marriage (Dan & Julie Williams) and mums birth- day</i>
Tue 11th August	St. Clare	Holy Mass St. Mary's 10am Int: Women Religious
Wed 12th August	St Jane Frances de Chantal	Holy Mass St Helen's 10am
Thur 13th August	St Pontian & Hippolytus	Holy Mass St Mary's Int: George and Joan McVeigh. Wedding anniversary
Fri 14th August	St Maximilian kolbe	Holy Mass St William of York 10am. Int: Nan Cureton RIP
Sat 15th August		11am Exposition of Sacrament (confessions 11:20am) fol- lowed by 12noon Mass. St Helens
Sun 16th August	Solemnity of the Assumption. (Transferred) *Holyday*	Holy Mass St. William of York 9.30am- Int: The Parish Holy Mass St Mary's 11:15am- Int: John Brannigan RIP Holy Baptism at St William of York- Holy Mass St Helens 4pm.

The 'Families of Parishes' Website, incorporates St. Helen's, St. Joseph's, St. Mary's and St. William of York. Please access via the following: www.seftoncoastsouthdeanerynorthfamily.org

SWOY SCOUT GROUP: Places available, **and we need Adult volunteers** to help run the activities. **Squirrels:** age 4-6, Tuesdays 4.45-5.30.pm. **Beavers:** age 6-8, Tuesdays 6.00-7.00.pm. **Cubs:** age 8-10, Thursdays 6.00-7.15.pm. **Scouts:** age 10-14, Tuesdays 6.30-8.00.pm. If you're interested, please ring Catherine on: 07780 544 227.

THE MEN OF ST. JOSEPH meet on Tuesday evenings in St Helen's church for prayer at 7.00.pm, followed by discussion over a cuppa in the parish centre. All welcome.

There is a pensioners group which meets at St Williams club. Monday from 1pm– 3pm. All WELCOME

Parish Development Strategy: Since it began in March last year, groups from each parish in the deanery have been meeting to reflect on our situation and to plan for the future of the Church in our area.

They have looked at both the strengths and the challenges in our parishes, as well as the number of priests and people we have now and in the years ahead.

The vision that has come from this work is both hopeful and challenging. It asks a simple question:

How can we share the Good News of Jesus in our communities, and how can we support our priests and volunteers in the future?

This means building up our parish communities, working more closely together, and making good decisions about how we use our resources to support the mission of the Church.

The leaflet includes two Strands of a proposal:

linking parishes more closely through Families of Parishes;
and developing synodal teams across the deanery.

Between now and 20th September, we invite you to have your say. The leaflet explains how you can do this, **(THERE IS ALSO A BOX AT THE BACK OF CHURCH FOR THOSE WHO WISH TO WRITE THEIR RESPONSE)** and there will also be parish meetings led by members of the deanery.

Please don't leave it until the last minute—your voice matters.

Walsingham 2027: The Pilgrimage to Walsingham Monday 5th -Thursday 8th April, 2027 is definitely going ahead. Those on the list will be contacted soon. If you are interested please add your name and contact details asap. Limited availability. Total cost can only be worked out when we know the Coach size required. Contact: catherine.hickey14@gmail.com or phone; 07486131930

FUNDRAISER for FR. SIMON CADWALLADER'S PARISH IN PERU - Saturday, 22nd August, at 12.30 pm

Join us after the 12 noon Mass at St Helen's Parish Centre for a fundraising afternoon featuring a video presentation, art exhibition, refreshments, stalls and raffle. Donations of raffle prizes, nearly new items and unwanted gifts are warmly welcomed and can be left in St. Helen's Porch.

St Helen's Feast Day:

Let's celebrate: The feast of St Helen! Tuesday 18th August at 12.00noon Mass Followed by Family BBQ, fun and games

Food provided. Please bring your own drinks. All Welcome!